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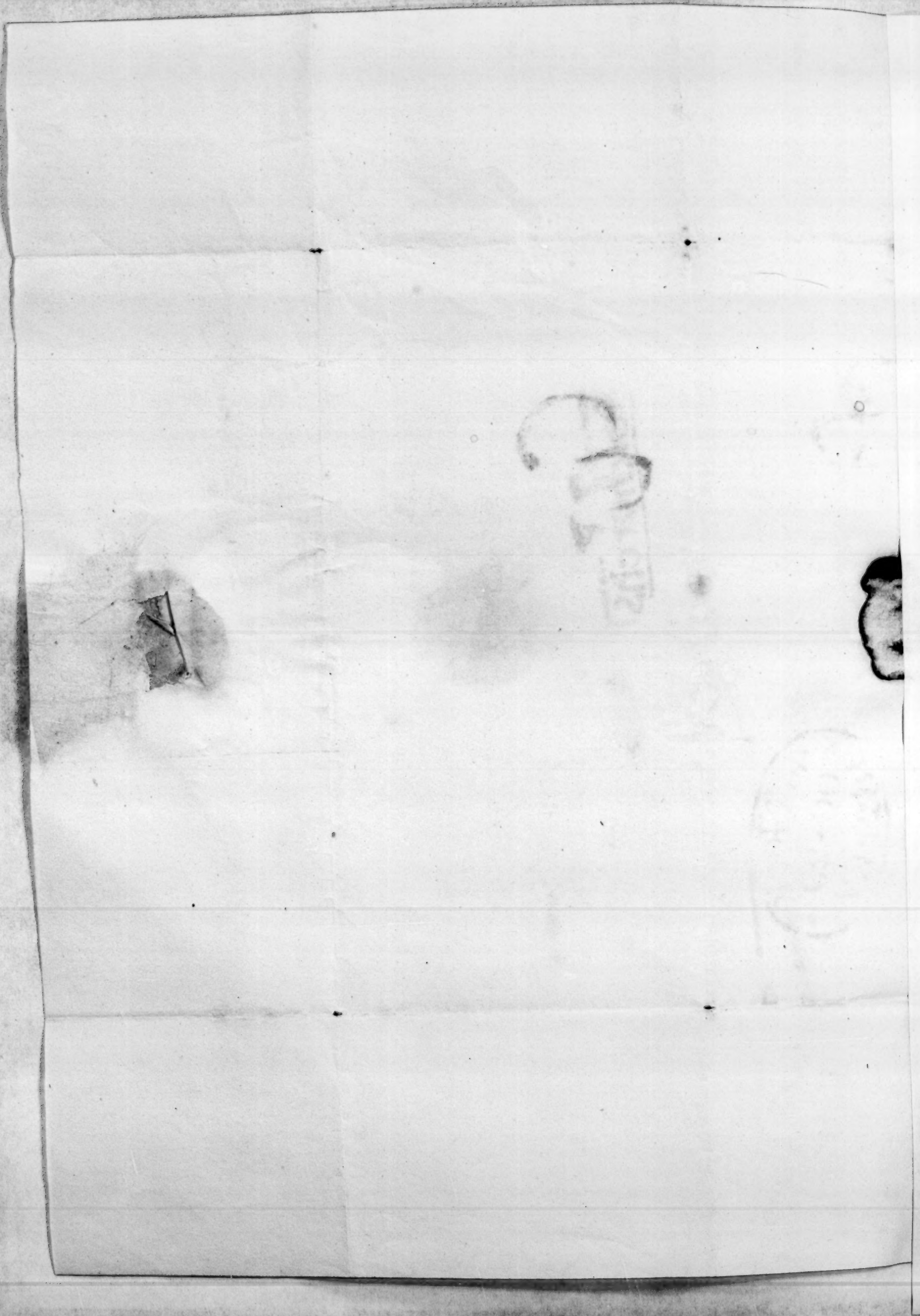
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Oct 29, 1899.  
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My dear Fanny

I intended to have called in  
the city <sup>for</sup> three days last ~~week~~ <sup>week</sup> but was prevented each  
time: twice by company and once by the weather, so  
that I shall call some day next week and take the  
chance of seeing you. But that I much expect you to  
be there: but as I shall be going to see a friend it  
will not be out of my way. Thank you for your enquiry  
about my horse, it would not have been so bad but the dog  
was ill at the time he died, <sup>and</sup> the doctor thought it  
better to provide against the consequences that always  
may follow a dog's bite. Carlo was not the least in the  
wrong it was entirely my fault. he, poor fellow is  
since dead from something he had swallowed, but I shall

have quite a long story to tell you <sup>about it</sup> when we meet. —

I shall certainly take your advice about the pigeons, but at present I am waiting till they lay again, which will make things safer, and which I expect them to do very soon. They generally sit on the egg a few days before they have the misfortune to break it which accident, I really believe happens from their fondness for it, as both with to hatch at once; it is people of this disposition that invariably spoil their children and bring them up such plagues as no doubt I was, and for what I know may be still. There is, I think, every

prospect of a reconciliation between Mr. & Mrs. Dilke and the Reynolds's, for Mr. J. Reynolds is married, the Dilkes have called on him and have been informed that his sisters are very anxious to make up the quarrel. It will be fine fun it will be to see them together. I shall send you the papers up to last Sunday but that of



today is at present lent to a friend and I would  
not wait any longer before I wrote - I always  
send the papers and a letter together as I fancy the  
host-mans wife might occasion suspicion if too  
often repeated - I hope I do not miss any, but  
I am sure to forget the date of the bath you had.  
I also hope you do not pay any thing now -

I remain, My dear Fanny

Yours affectionately

Francis Browne

I see I have mentioned in the beginning of my note  
that it is owing to the doctor my hand was so bad, but  
as I have not told you what was done, perhaps you will  
fancy, as my cousins did, that a terrible operation was  
performed, my hand dissected and half-carried away,  
and a most delightfully horrible story it was, but  
unfortunately for those who delight in these wonders

I had only a little caustic applied, which is nothing  
at all to talk about —





